

# CURRICULUM COUNCIL

December 9, 2010

## Minutes

- ☐ Welcome
- ☐ Continuing Our Focus
  - Continued support of writer's workshop K - 8
  - Continued support of SAS & curriculum development in the Toolbox
  - Integration of literacy strategies across content areas
- ☐ Department/Grade-Level Meetings (*How's It Going? Pun intended...*)
  - Teachers seem to be appreciative of the activity as a way to collaborate with each other across the district without the need for travel or special arrangements. Time continues to be a challenge for some.
  - Department leaders should be communicating timelines to their group to keep everyone on target with the monthly schedule, which is located on the home page of the wiki.
- ☐ SAS Update from Cynthia (*See separate summary document*)
- ☐ January & February Professional Development
  - *January 17, 2011*
    - Elementary - Saturday Reunion Topics & Grade-Level Meetings
    - Secondary – Writing Across Content Areas
      - High School will have a full-day with Anne & Jason Whitney from PSU (Specific information provided previously. **Please remind teachers to submit writing samples before leaving for Christmas break.**)
      - Middle School will have a half-day with trainers from Capital Area Writing Project. The afternoon will be spent in together as departments working on integration of writing activities. Teachers who participate will be afforded the opportunity to participate in the CAIU summer writing institute.
  - *February 18, 2011*
    - Reading Apprenticeship Strategies to be shared by Cohort I & II participants – We will plan for grades 6 – 12 departmental time on this day in order for Cohort I & Cohort II teachers to plan to share activities from Reading Apprenticeship training.
  - *Future – August 3, 2011 (Tentative)*
    - Carl Anderson in August – Please share this as a potential date with other teachers during your faculty meeting share time, or with an email to your group.
- ☐ Textbook Matrix – Due before you leave for Christmas break (*Reminder*)
- ☐ Reading Apprenticeship Cohort I – Attendees:
  - Jennifer Bilger – Mathematics
  - Henrietta Brennar – World Languages
  - Judy Buranich – Language Arts
  - Mindy Callender - Science
  - Jim Dent – Technology Education
  - Nichole Fisher – Mathematics
  - Cindy Hetrick - Language Arts
  - Cynthia Hutchinson – Admin
  - Amber Rowles – English
  - Chris Snyder - BCIT
  - Tanna Stenger – Science
  - Kathy Troutman – Special Education
  - Charles Volchansky – Social Studies

☐ Reading Apprenticeship Cohort II – Attendees:

- Beverly Abram - Language Arts
- Brian Beward – Social Studies
- Matt Dietz – Technology Education
- Thor Edmiston – Art
- Dave Fadale – Mathematics
- Dave Harrison – Admin
- Karen Klock – Special Education
- Tamie Kratzer – Special Education
- Daniel Lysak – BCIT
- Monica Romig – World Languages
- Nick Slotterback – Health & PE
- Clint Swartz – Science

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

*“Problems with writing are problems with thinking first.”* Peter Elbow

